**Defects in the Engines of Sukhoi-30**

†2170. SHRI DINA NATH MISHRA: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether serious defects have been detected in the engines of the consignment of Sukhoi-30 imported from Russia; if so, whether the same have been sent to Russia for replacement; and

(b) whether it is a fact that the engines of already imported Sukhoi aircrafts are not in conformity with the specifications listed in Air Staff Qualitative Requirement?

THE MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI GEORGE FERNANDES): (a) and (b) No, Sir.

**Sainik Schools**

†2171. SHRI ONKAR SINGH LAKHAWAT: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) the number of Sainik schools functioning in the country, indicating the number of students studying in those schools;

(b) the number of army schools in Rajasthan;

(c) whether Government propose to increase the number of Sainik schools and provide more facilities in Rajasthan in order to encourage soldiering propensity due to large number of army personnel in the State; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI GEORGE FERNANDES): (a) There are 18 Sainik Schools in the country. The statewise location and number of students is in the enclosed statement (*see* below).

(b) In Rajasthan, there are two Military Schools, one each at Dholpur and Ajmer.

(c) No proposal for additional Sainik School has been received from the State Government of Rajasthan.

(d) Does not arise.

**Statement**

*Details of Sainik School*

| Sl. No. | Name of the School | State | No. of Boarders in the school |
|---|---|---|---|
| 1. | Amaravathinagar | Tamil Nadu | 599 |
| 2. | Balachadi | Gujarat | 575 |

†Original notice of the Question was received in Hindi.

| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
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| 3. | Bhubaneswar | Orissa | 605 |
| 4. | Bijapur | Karnataka | 602 |
| 5. | Cittorgarh | Rajasthan | 523 |
| 6. | Ghorakhal | Uttar Pradesh | 487 |
| 7. | Goalpara | Assam | 631 |
| 8. | Imphal | Manipur | 502 |
| 9. | Kapurthala | Punjab | 610 |
| 10. | Kazhakootam | Kerala | 598 |
| 11. | Korukonda | Andhra Pradesh | 548 |
| 12. | Kunjpura | Haryana | 609 |
| 13. | Nagrota | Jammu & Kashmir | 450 |
| 14. | Purulia | West Bengal | 524 |
| 15. | Rewa | Madhya Pradesh | 506 |
| 16. | Satara | Maharashtra | 600 |
| 17. | Sujanpur Tira | Himachal Pradesh | 484 |
| 18. | Tilaiya | Bihar | 857 |
| | | | Total : 10310 |

**Recruitments in Army**

†2172. SHRI ONKAR SINGH LAKHAWAT: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to conduct increased number of recruitment for all the categories in Indian Army in view of the circumstances of Kargil War; and

(b) if so, the details of efforts being made in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI GEORGE FERNANDES): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

**Construction of Indigenous Aircraft Carrier at CSL**

2173. SHRI C. RAMACHANDRAIAH: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Cochin Shipyard Ltd. propose to build indigenous aircraft carrier;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the target for completion of the projects?

THE MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI GEORGE FERNANDES): (a) to (c) The Government has approved construction of an Air Defence Ship (ADS) at Cochin Shipyard Ltd., Kochi at an estimated cost of Rs. 1700 crores approximately. The ship is expected to be constructed in 8 to 10 years time.

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